

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to Roman Mangrich for His Efforts in

Helping Keep the Sidewalks of Lodi Clean

MEETING DATE: September 19,2012

PREPARED BY: City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Mayor Mounce present Certificate of Appreciation to Roman

Mangrich for his efforts in helping keep the sidewalks of Lodi clean.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City received a letter from Angela Mangrich praising her son,

Roman, for his efforts in cleaning the sidewalks around the area of

Lodi High School of litter, trash, and debris. Six-year-old Roman,

who shows great pride for his community, has faithfully picked up garbage around the school since he was three years old, and Mayor Mounce will recognize this young man for his actions.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

FUNDING AVAILABLE: None.

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Kohradt Bartlam, City Manager

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I am a proud mother, and I wanted to share how your Lodi High School is Improving my son.

The neighborhoods surrounding the Lodi High School are very welcoming to new students every year. We accept the heavy traffic twice a day, and allow the overflow parking to crowd the streets. We do this because we are proud to be part of the Lodi pride that echoes from the school campus. But one issue has me bothered... and my son is taking action!!!

Every **July** Lodi High has freshman orientation and a Rally before school starts. And every year banners, trash, papers, and other garbage gather on the East sidewalk of Pacific Ave. It is normally not touched for weeks.

Meanwhile my sons and I take frequent walks around the neighborhood. This small span of filth and litter is the worst part of our walk.

My son was 3 when he decided that he didn't want to just leave the trash on the ground. (We had brought him up to know better than that) After the first week of school was over he decided to clean up our earth, starting with Pacific Ave. He has been very faithful at doing so. He now picks up the trash during every school break in July, October, November, December, and March.

We now walk to Reese school every day for Kindergarten (my son is now almost 6), and he continually asks why the school doesn't pick up the litter that's left by the students. I have yet to give him a good answer, so I remind him that some people are just too lazy to find a Garbage can.

I know what my son is doing is the right and noble thing, and I feel he should be recognized. You might feel I am being too proud of his small actions. But I think every mother should! How else are we going to make this world better, if we don't <u>over applaud</u> our kids to go above and beyond for other people?

My son Roman is an outstanding person and he is anxious to be a part of Lodi **High** someday. Please, commend him for his actions.

A Proud Mothers' Best Regards,,

Angela Mangrich